

MINUTES
October 27, 2004
9:30 a.m.

PRESENT: Marilyn Showalter, Chairwoman
Pat Oshie, Commissioner

The regular meeting of the Washington Utilities and Transportation Commission was called to order on Wednesday, October 27, 2004, by Marilyn Showalter. Commissioner Hemstad was not in attendance.

Glenn Blackmon, Acting Director, Regulatory Services, indicated that there are no changes to the Agenda, but did note that there is an Addendum.

E)1. 1-000 Consent Agenda

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to approve the consent agenda and direct the Secretary to sign orders and/or letters necessary to affect each action. Chairwoman Showalter seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0).

UTILITIES

A)1. 1-007 Docket Number UG-041749 Northwest Natural Gas Company Revises rates for the effects of changes in purchased gas costs and makes permanent adjustments to rates for the South Mist Pipeline Extension Project. Tariff Revision Advice #: WUTC 04-4

Appearances: Jim Russell and Vicki Elliott, staff; Kevin McVay, Northwest Natural Gas

The Commissioner's allowed the filing to become effective November 1, 2004, by process of law.

A)2. 1-097 Docket Number UG-041772 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Adjusts rates to reflect the cost of gas. Tariff Revision Advice #: CNG/W04-09-01

Appearances: Mike Parvinen, staff; Jon Stoltz, Cascade Natural Gas

The Commissioner's allowed the filing to become effective November 1, 2004, by process of law.

A)3. 1-097 Docket Number UG-041773 Cascade Natural Gas Corporation Reflects changes in the amount of temporary technical adjustments affecting customer rates as a result of deferral account amortizations. Tariff Revision Advice #: CNG/W04-09-02

Appearances: Mike Parvinen, staff; Jon Stoltz, Cascade Natural Gas

The Commissioner's allowed the filing to become effective November 1, 2004, by process of law.

A)4. 1-183 Docket Number UG-041786 Avista Corporation dba: Avista Utilities Revises Tariff WN U-29 to reflect adjustments on PGA rate and deferred gas cost amortization rate. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Joanna Huang, staff; Brian Hirshkorn, Avista Corporation (via conference bridge)

The Commissioner's allowed the filing to become effective November 1, 2004, by process of law.

TRANSPORTATION:

B)1. 1-235 Docket Number TG-041688 Rabanco Ltd dba: Eastside Disposal dba: Rabanco Companies dba: Rabanco Connections Consolidates Tariff Nos. 10 and 7 into new Tariff No. 11, and requests a general rate increase of approximately \$915,500 (10.5 percent). Tariff Revision

Appearances: Bob Colbo, staff

The Commissioner's allowed the filing to become effective November 1, 2004, by process of law.

B)2. 1-303 Docket Number TO-040992 Olympic Pipe Line Company Approve Olympic's request to dismiss the complaint and order suspending; reduce the amount of increase from \$3,796,000 (18.6%), which became effective July 1, 2004, subject to refund, to \$26,531 (.13%), on a permanent basis; file the reduced, permanent rates to become effective November 1, 2004; and, refund to shippers the difference between the rates in effect July 1, 2004, and the permanent rates approved to become effective November 1, 2004. Tariff Revision

Appearances: Bob Colbo, staff; Sally Johnston, Assistant Attorney General; Mitch Jones and Pat McGrath, Olympic Pipe Line Company (via conference bridge); Ed Finklea, Attorney, ConocoPhillips

Disposition: Commissioner Oshie moved to moved to dismiss the complaint and order suspending the filing; allow the revised rates to become effective November 1, 2004, per LSN order; and allow refunds for shipments between July 1, 2004, and October 31, 2004. Chairwoman Showalter seconded the motion. The motion carried (2:0).

OTHER

C1. 1-402 Docket Number TG-041349 Adoption hearing for proposed rules relating to Form of Solid Waste Bill/Method of Payment including WAC 480-70-401 and 396. Rulemaking

The Commission will issue an Adoption Order in the docket.

The meeting adjourned at 10:15 a.m.

Attested by

Carole J. Washburn, Secretary